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Conference of the Labour Representation Committee

**PREPARING OUR MOVEMENT FOR THE TASKS AHEAD**

The conference of the Labour Representation Committee will take place on Saturday 9th February 2019 at Student Central (formerly ULU), Malet St., London WC1E 7HY. The conference will run from 10.30am to 5pm, with registration opening at 10am. Student Central has full disabled access.

To encourage attendance, we have held Conference fees as low as possible: just **£5 unwaged and outside London, £10 low waged, or £15 waged**. Go to <https://labourrep.com/conference-2019/> to book your place now. If you wish to book a place in the crèche, please let us know by midday on Saturday 2nd February your child’s name, age and details of any special needs they have.

Your **conference registration form** (enclosed) also allows you to renew your LRC membership, if appropriate. In order to nominate for posts, contest elections, vote and fully participate at the conference, you must be a current, paid-up LRC member. So, if your LRC membership has lapsed, it is recommended that you renew your membership of the LRC now.

The Conference will decide the LRC’s campaigning priorities, hear guest speakers (including John McDonnell), and elect a National Executive Committee to run the organisation for the coming year. There are direct elections for the LRC’s **National Officers**. The conference will elect the Chair, Vice Chairs (2), Political Secretary, Membership Secretary, Treasurer, Administrator, and Web Manager. The **nomination form enclosed** allows you to nominate candidates for all officer posts.

The Special General Meeting will also elect the LRC’s **National Executive Committee.** There will be 8 members’ seats – to represent either individual members or affiliates, and 3 equalities seats (1 LGBT member, 1 BME member, 1 disabled member), all elected by conference as a whole; while 2 National Organisers representing local areas will be elected by delegates present from those areas. Conference will also elect 6 people to sit on the **Labour Briefing Editorial Board**. The LRC encourages all its supporters to subscribe to this magazine, so a Labour Briefing subscription form is again enclosed for you or a friend, or see <http://labourbriefing.squarespace.com/> Lastly, Conference will elect two **auditors**.

To **stand for election** for any of these positions, as well as being a fully paid-up member of the LRC, you must also be nominated by at least two other LRC members. Candidates may submit a personal statement of no more than 100 words, which will be made available to all registered attendees. Personal statements should be sent – ideally in Word format by email to info@l-r-c.org.uk – to arrive before 12pm (midday) on **Friday 25th January 2019.**

Further details of confirmed speakers, resolutions, amendments and other conference information will appear on the LRC website <https://labourrep.com/conference-2019/> over the coming weeks.

The LRC National Executive Committee